

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. HA-1778

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic The Milk Station House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number Jarrettsville Pike and Fallston Roads ☐ not for publicationcity, town Monkton ☒ vicinity of congressional district 2

state Maryland county Harford

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Ms Linda Schulte

street & number 8005 Yellowstone Road telephone no.:

city, town Kingsville state and zip code MD 21087

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse liber 1506

street & number folio 529

city, town Bel Air state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title DNA

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☒ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This simple structure sits at the intersection of Jarrettsville Pike and Fallston Road in now-suburban northwestern Harford County, Maryland. Completely utilitarian, it is a small, one-story gable-roofed block structure built to house milk cans brought here by local dairy farmers for eventual shipment to Baltimore. Two sash windows are centrally placed in the east and west facades and large doors fill most of the south or entrance facade.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates ☐ early 20th century Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Milk Station House is significant as a rare remnant of Harford County's once-flourishing dairy industry. The strictly utilitarian structure was built as a central shed or shelter to which local dairy farmers transported milk for massive shipment to Baltimore.

Harford County has--at least until World War II--had an economy largely underpinned by agriculture. Tobacco was the first important crop, as it was in counties throughout the Chesapeake region; in Harford tobacco gave way to grain and milling in the 18th century which in turn (in the late 19th century) gave way to canning. As local historian C. Milton Wright has pointed out, "Harford County was not always a dairy farming county" but c. 1900 "the advent of railroads", the construction of local creameries, and improved transportation to Baltimore "did much to make Harford a milk-producing county." (Wright, p. 164.) Even as late as 1953 "dairying is big business in Harford County", according to that year's Harford County Directory. (See Directory, p. 232; the same publication notes that so much milk was shipped to Baltimore on the Ma and Pa Railroad that the line was known as "The Milky Way;" p. 247.)

Most buildings connected with the dairy industry were--like this structure--strictly utilitarian in design and, once their original use had passed, were demolished.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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C. Milton Wright, Our Harford Heritage, (Bel Air: privately printed, 1967)
Harford County Directory, (Baltimore: State Durectiries Publishing
Company, 1953).

Interview: Christopher Weeks and Mr. Frank B. Ober, Jr., March 1992

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 5 more or less

Quadrangle name Phoenix, MD.

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state Maryland code county Harford code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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